

RESOLUTION NUMBER 306
JERRY HAROLD REID

***WHEREAS*, we pause in our deliberations to note the untimely passing of Jerry Harold Reid, on Wednesday, December 26, 2007; and**

***WHEREAS*, on December 4, 1946, Jerry Harold Reid, was born in St. Louis, Missouri to the union of Chester and Jane Reid. He was the eighth child of twelve children. His father, mother, and brothers, Chester, Jr., Anthony and Michael all preceded him in death; and**

***WHEREAS*, Jerry Harold Reid was educated in the St. Louis Public Schools. He also attended Mesa Community College in Grand Jackson, Colorado and was a graduate of Weber State University in Ogden, Utah where he earned a degree in social work; and**

***WHEREAS*, Jerry fell in love and was united in Holy Matrimony with Beverly Graham. They were blessed with three children, Richard, Kimberly and Malek, who he loved and cherished dearly. Malek also preceded him in death; and**

***WHEREAS*, Jerry was a music lover and played for various occasions. He traveled to Memphis, Bosnia, Saudi Arabia and the Caribbean among other places. After his stay in Memphis, he returned and worked with a number of choirs here in the City. He also played with several well-known bands; and**

***WHEREAS*, at the time he became ill, he had joined the Tyler Place Presbyterian Church under the leadership of Reverend Bob Hagel, Pastor. He was an elder for a year and a member for five years; and**

***WHEREAS*, Jerry worked for various agencies in Human Services and also worked as a substitute teacher. At his departure he was employed with A.A.R.P.; and**

***WHEREAS*, Jerry's attributes included his smile and humor, which made it impossible for him to meet a stranger. He loved to sing, write music and perform. Whenever he was asked to perform, he would always say yes.**

***WHEREAS*, Jerry will always be cherished by his loving family: children, Richard Frye and Kimberly Tapp; brothers, Ivory (Martha), Charles, Donnell, Melvin (Geraldine), Andrew (Cheryl) and Aaron; sisters, Ola (Earl) and Cynthia; four grandchildren; a multitude of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, friends and loved ones; a very special friend, Mary Connors.**

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that, on behalf of the St. Louis metropolitan community we pause to remember the many contributions of Jerry Harold Reid to the citizens of the City of St. Louis, the region, and the world because of his music; and we join his family and many friends in expressing our sorrow at his passing. We further direct the clerk of this board to spread a copy of this resolution across the minutes of the proceedings and to prepare a memorial copy for presentation to the family, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the sponsor.**

**Introduced on the 11th day of January, 2008 by:
Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3rd Ward
Adopted this the 11th day of January, 2008 as attested by:**

Denise Watson-Wesley Coleman
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen